

COMMENT OF THE DAY

EDC Showdown

THE treaty founding the European Defence Community was signed in Paris in May, 1952 by France, West Germany, Italy, Belgium, Luxembourg and the Netherlands. It has thus taken France and her fellow EDC signatory nations exactly 807 days to come to a showdown on the treaty. Unless the French National Assembly makes a dramatic reversal of its present stand, the chances of French participation are remote. At the moment the treaty has been thrown in the melting pot. Europe, Britain and America will watch anxiously for the French National Assembly vote on August 28. If the Assembly fails to ratify EDC in its present form, Europe will wait for a new Anglo-British lead on European defence and two things seem certain: West Germany will be given at least limited sovereignty and America will carry out her threat of a "drastic reappraisal" of her policies towards France. Can EDC survive without France? Theoretically it is possible but not likely. At any rate it would involve re-ratification of the treaty by the other five nations involved, which is not favoured.

GERMAN rearmament is inevitable either under EDC or if it fails to materialize. NATO. Under both, its rearmament would be controlled. But in the event of a reunification of Germany there is no certainty the new state would continue its allegiance to the Western defence alliance. Since France cannot prevent German rearmament what does it stand to gain by refusing to ratify EDC? It is possible to give only specific objections to the treaty itself: an army integrated with others loses its soul, so the argument goes, and a country integrated in a formal European community loses its identity as a nation. Or, in other words, a country ceases to be a great power when it loses full sovereignty over its national army. This might suggest that an important motive behind the French stand is a desire to see the country continue as a great power.

EVEN French protagonists of EDC concede the era of power politics is not at an end. France, these supporters say, may one day be confronted with the need to bring pressure on Spain threatening her administration in Morocco. Under EDC she would be unable to do so, however, because her metropolitan armies would be under the orders not of a French command, but a European command. Undoubtedly she may lose greater advantages by remaining outside the treaty, but nevertheless these objections which were one of the rallying cries of a small hard core of opponents have today become almost national objections. And the future? Perhaps some new form of joint Western defence can be arranged. A move by Russia would not be surprising, either. Even now the Kremlin must be considering whether it is worthwhile calling for free all-German elections in return for the absolute assurance there would be no EDC. No bargain like that would ever be offered but if Russia proposed the immediate reunification of Germany she knows in advance that France would have nothing further to do with EDC. That would seal the doom of the treaty and hinder Western plans for European defence. This drastic step may not be necessary, however, for the French Assembly may reject EDC next week without any Russian intervention whatsoever.

CHURCHILL URGED FRANCO-GERMAN ALLIANCE

In Talks With Mendes-France

Washington, Aug. 23.

Reliable sources indicated that Prime Minister Sir Winston Churchill urged the French Premier, M. Mendes-France to conclude a defensive alliance with Germany which would have the backing of the United States and Britain.

The sources understood that Sir Winston was prepared to tell M. Mendes-France the only alternative to the European Defence Community treaty would be a Franco-German alliance with a United States and British guarantee that would probably take the form of promising to let their forces remain on the continent of Europe while it was in force.

M. Mendes-France, the sources explained, made up his mind at Brussels to hurry to London to see Sir Winston when he was informed of Sir Winston's cable to Chancellor Konrad Adenauer in which the British Premier said: "Your statesmanship will not be denied its reward."

They said this finally convinced M. Mendes-France that, for the first time in history, developments had come close to isolating France from the free world and this had led to the free world supporting Western Germany.

The sources said that if M. Mendes-France had abandoned the EDC treaty, as is widely believed in the administration here, and if he did not enter into some alliance with Germany, then the United States and Britain were prepared to grant Germany sovereign rights in September.

They said if France should refuse to accept this suggestion, then Dr Adenauer might say Germany could no longer wait for French approval and this German stand would probably be tacitly approved by the United States and Britain.

They understood that Germany would then become a member of NATO, which would give her far more military liberty than under the EDC treaty.—United Press.

US Counter-Offensive

Washington was reliably reported to be planning an all-out diplomatic counter-offensive to persuade M. Mendes-France to abandon his strategy of a "fourth way" which has been ratified by four of France's partners—West Germany and the Benelux countries—and almost certain to be approved by the fifth, Italy.

The Socialist pro-EDC faction, led by Party leader Guy Mollet, the treaty's champions among the Conservative Independents headed by former Premier Paul Reynaud and Antoine Pinay, and the Roman Catholic Popular Republican group (MRP)—these and others were busily formulating means to save the project.

They will first try to convince the Premier to side with them. Failing that, the MRP and the Independents will launch an attempt to overthrow M. Mendes-France, leading Deputies said. Authoritative sources said the U.S. effort to persuade M. Mendes-France to reconsider would not take the form of threats publicly voiced or a string of notes from Washington. They said it would be a "quiet campaign" which would be started with the first meeting between M. Mendes-France and the U.S. Ambassador to France, C. Douglas Dillon, on Wednesday. It was conceded there was almost no chance of getting the Premier to make a move, then, against the EDC for the present.

Egyptian Officer Says 'Goodbye' To Commandos



British soldiers, some of the 2,000 that have left the Suez Canal Zone since the Anglo-Egyptian agreement, shake hands with an Egyptian Army Officer before leaving. Men of the Royal Marine Commando Units left Port Said in the cruiser Glasgow for Malta. And men of the 1st Battalion the South Lancashire Regiment, the 2nd Battalion the Parachute Regiment embarked for Britain.—London Express Photo.

Did Dr Summerskill Invite Malenkov To London?

Rene MacColl, London Daily Express correspondent travelling with the British labour party delegation in China reported today that Dr Edith Summerskill had invited Mr Malenkov, Soviet Premier, to visit Britain next Spring. Yesterday American newspaper columnist Drew Pearson reported that Mr Attlee had extended the invitation.

According to France-Press reports from Peking, however, "circles close to the British delegation" denied reports that Mr Attlee had invited Mr Malenkov.

Here is MacColl's version:

Peking, Aug. 23. More than a bouquet of flowers passed between Mr Malenkov and Dr Edith Summerskill during the British delegation's stay in Moscow. For Dr Summerskill in her capacity as the next Chairman of the Labour Party's National Executive asked Mr Malenkov if he'd like to visit Britain as the guest of the Labour Party next year. Dr Summerskill is thought certain to succeed Mr Wilfred Burke as the Chairman of National Executive at next month's annual Labour Party conference.

Mr Malenkov gave Dr Edith her big bouquet on the first night of the party's stay in Moscow. The next night when Mr Malenkov dined as the principal guest at the British Embassy, she was ready to reciprocate, and invited him to London. "Perhaps in Spring?"

"WITH PLEASURE"

Mr Malenkov twinkled and said he would consider her invitation "with pleasure." Other members of the delegation were not too enthusiastic when they heard about it. But delegation members looked shocked and horrified when informed tonight that a minor at Tongshan coal-mine which they visited yesterday had been summarily tried by the People's Court and then publicly executed only two or three days before Messrs Attlee and Co. turned up. Indeed it is believed the Labour Party passed within a few yards of the spot where the execution took place.

Asked if they would have cancelled their visit to the mine if they had known about the public execution, one member of the delegation said it was a hypothetical question.

But discussing the question of the Chinese People's Court generally, another member of the party gave it as his opinion that it smacked of "lynch law." Meanwhile, behind-the-scenes talks regarding a possible alternative to SEATO go forward busily. The Chinese told Mr Attlee they are anxious to resume talks aimed at a Korean peace treaty and that they want a general pact of non-

aggression and mutual assistance for Asia.

To this would belong the Colombo powers, Indonesia, China, Britain and perhaps France.

WITHOUT WAR

Once such a pact was signed, the Chinese urge, there would be a general relaxation of tension in the Far East and these various nations could get on with the job of "filling their own back yards."

The Chinese are banking heavily on Labour winning the next British elections and they think they see in Mr Attlee a fairly firm supporter of many of their hopes.

The Chinese spokesmen from Chou continue to say with an increasing violence of language that Formosa must be regained at all costs. And it is significant that many members of the Labour delegation are saying they believe Formosa will be under Communist Chinese rule within the next five years and without a major war.—London Express Service.

Three Tropical Storms Reported

Three tropical storm warnings have been received by the Meteorological Office at Kai Tak. A tropical storm warning from Guam was received at 2322 GMT. The position given was 12.4° N, and 146.7° E. Moving west-north-west at 12 knots, the maximum wind speed at centre being 60 knots. A second warning was received at 2400 GMT from Manila giving the position of the storm as 20.0° N, and 127.8° E. The maximum wind speed at centre being 45 knots the storm is moving west-north-west at 5 knots. A third warning from Japan at 2400 GMT said a storm was centred at 27.2° N, 128.3° E. Maximum wind speed was 35 knots. It was moving NW by West at 20 knots.

DARING CENTRAL DISTRICT THEFT

Foki Stabbed, Robbed Of \$5,000

A daring daylight robbery just before noon today resulted in a shop foki being stabbed badly and robbed of over \$5,000 in Queen's Road Central.

The 39-year-old foki, Wong Wing-kong, had just drawn \$4,000 odd from the Western Branch of the Bank of Canton, 10 Bonham Street, West, for his shop, the name of which is not known at present.

A man followed the foki all along Queen's Road until the foki entered the Western Branch of the Bank of Canton. Central, he stabbed the foki with a knife and fled with the \$4,000 plus the personal money of the foki.

Wong has been sent to Hospital and an exhaustive search by the Police for the robber, has begun. DDI Thomas of Central Police Station is in charge of the case.

Airliner Crashes In North Sea: 21 Believed Dead

Amsterdam, Aug. 23.

A Dutch, DC-6B luxury liner, inbound from New York plunged mysteriously into the rain-swept North Sea today and all 21 persons aboard, including seven Americans, were believed killed.

Disaster apparently struck so suddenly that the pilot, already letting down for a landing at Schiphol Airport outside Amsterdam, had no time to radio an SOS.

The headquarters of the KLM Royal Dutch Airline announced tonight that the 12 passengers including three women and two children and nine members of the crew were given up as lost, but the search of the coastal waters would go on through the night.

One unidentified body was recovered from the choppy sea where white cushions and other wreckage marked the scene of the plunge 30 miles from the journey's end after a 3,000-mile flight.

At one stage of the efforts to identify the victims, KLM reported that two passengers had boarded the aircraft at Shannon, Ireland, the only stop on the way. But the airline said later that they were accounted for otherwise. Eight Americans and one other person had left the doomed plane at Shannon.

R.A.F. VETERAN The pilot was Captain Charles Harmon, 36, a veteran of the Royal Air Force. The rest of the crew including Stewardess Magdalena van der Mark, were Dutch.

Airport authorities at Shannon heard a report that the DC-6B collided in the air near Ilmuiden with a DC-3 transport, but the Dutch authorities said they found no corroboration and no evidence that a DC-3 was missing.

The liner rose from the Shannon runway at 0924 GMT for the relatively short flight across the Dutch Channel, England and Amsterdam, where it was due at 1152 GMT. Nineteen minutes before landing time, the plane sent its last message. "Not urgent. It confirmed receipt of the latest word on the weather from Schiphol. Tower, where rain was beating down. It gave its position as 27 nautical miles off Ilmuiden on the coast."

DISASTER STRUCK Immediately thereafter disaster struck so suddenly that the disassembled wreckage of the automatic procedure in case of trouble, was never sent.

For hours KLM did not know what had become of the plane, but by dusk a fleet of surface vessels was radiating regular reports of debris found in the heaving gray water. One

fishing vessel reported a huge oil patch. Others said they had picked up checkbooks, suitcases, personal belongings and aircraft equipment. The fishing vessel Belietrix found KLM cushions floating in the area where the boat Texel sent a message that it had sighted an empty life raft bobbing in the sea.—United Press.

US 'Brushes' With Reds Reported

New York, Aug. 23.

The Washington correspondent of the New York Post, Robert Allen, reported today that United States naval forces guarding Formosa and other Chinese Nationalist islands had "brushed" with the Chinese Communists.

"None of these unpublicized incidents involved shooting—but that was only because the Reds didn't fire. If they had there would have been instant retaliation," he said.

Allen added that the most recent encounter "was near some small offshore islands held by the Nationalists. The Communists suddenly began shelling them heavily in apparent preparation for an assault. The Nationalist Commander called for reinforcements. As they were being rushed over United States aircraft carriers also appeared on the scene."

"One of the carriers and her escorting craft sailed within range of the Communist guns. But they did not fire on the American ships. The Nationalist reserves were landed without trouble. The Reds, if they had intended a raid, abandoned it. The carriers continued their patrol for a while and turned left."

"These islands have not been disturbed since." United States defence officials were not taking lightly the threats against Formosa by the Chinese Prime Minister, Mr Chou En-lai, Mr Allen said.—Reuter.

John Landy Says 'I'm Finished With Serious Running'

Macolin, Switzerland, Aug. 23.

John Landy, world record holder for the mile, announced today he was "finished with serious running."

"I don't even intend to run in the 1956 Olympic Games at Melbourne," he told reporters at the training track of the British team which is preparing for the European Games in Bern.

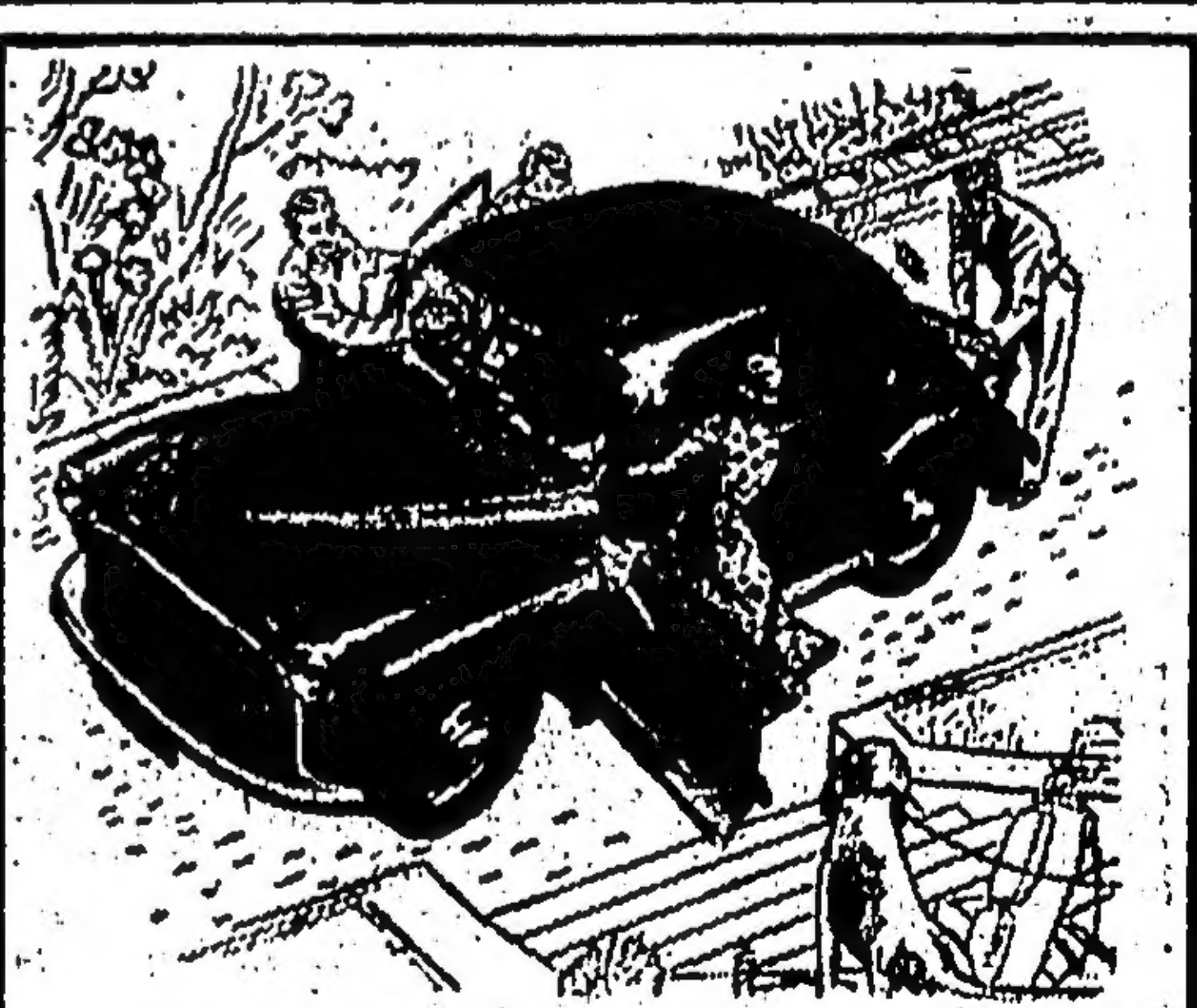
"Eleven pounds overweight, and with only one training run since the British Empire Games at Vancouver, Landy ran three slow laps with Roger Bannister, his conqueror at Vancouver and the only other man in the world besides himself to run the mile under four minutes, then 'examined himself' and watched, puffing, on the sidelines."



JOHN LANDY

"I've been running solidly since November," he said, "and now I'm finished. I'm 24 years old and the little bit of fitness I have left I want to keep."

"To keep in shape I might experiment with longer distances, but I won't be taking it too seriously," Landy said. Landy watched Roger Bannister, accompanied by Britain's No. 2 miler, Chris Chaseway, put in a long and hard training session. Bannister ran several laps in 41.06, 43 seconds and three fast "under the minute" ones.—United Press.



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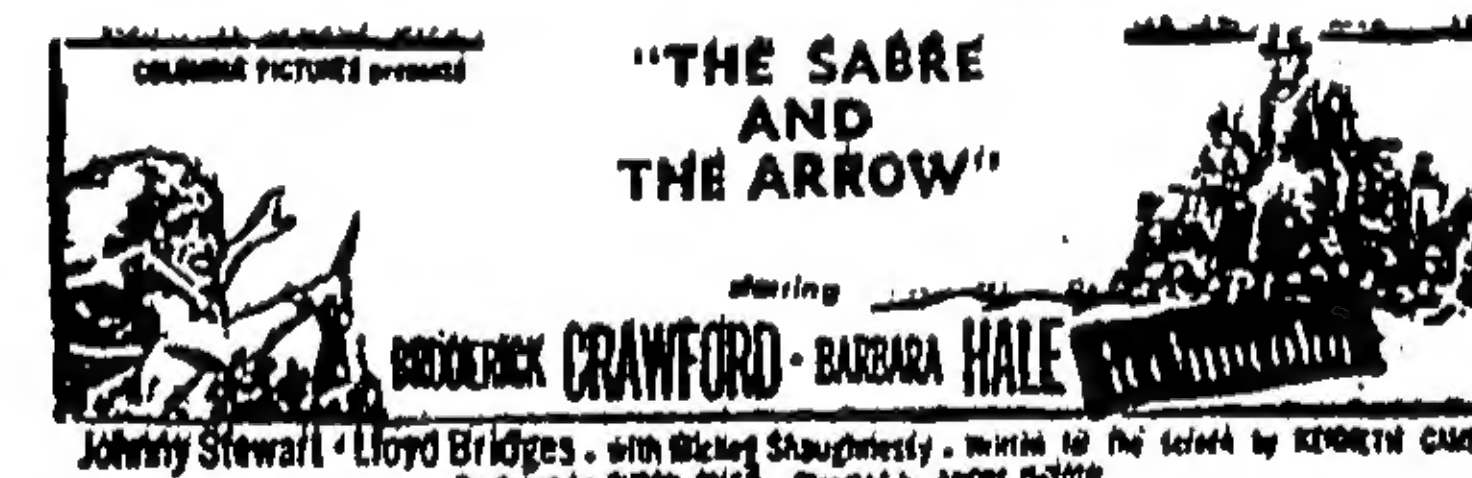
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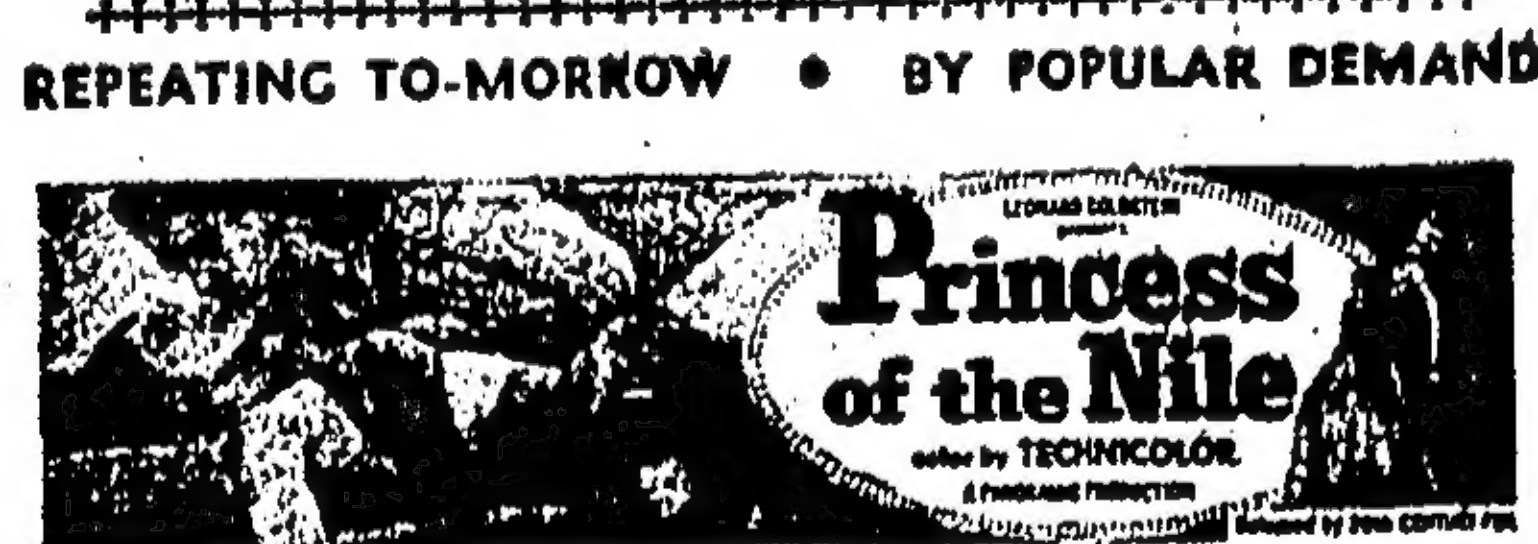
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REARMING GERMANY



Carrying the letters of credence which he was going to present to the Queen, the new Uruguayan Ambassador in London, Senor Don Jose A. Quadros, leaves his residence, No. 1 Campden Hill, Kensington. The Ambassador drove to the Palace in a horse-drawn carriage from the Royal Mews. Reuterphoto.

American Brides-To-Be
Have Problems With
Immigration Dept

Philadelphia, Aug. 23.

The Immigration and Naturalisation Service today set a preliminary hearing next Monday to decide how long a Japanese bride-to-be may remain in the United States.

Isako Shimoyama, of Kobe, Japan, arrived at the Valley Forge Army Hospital in nearby Phoenixville, Pennsylvania, yesterday after months of diplomatic and Army red tape for a reunion with her fiancé, M/Sgt William B. Hardin, 32, of Louisville, Kentucky.

Hardin, a decorated veteran of two wars, said he and the pretty 24-year-old sales clerk will be "married as soon as possible, you can bet on that."

After the marriage, Isako will have to return to her homeland. But Hardin said she could then return to the United States as the wife of an American citizen.

MET IN HOSPITAL

The couple met while Hardin was confined to an Army hospital in Japan for treatment of tuberculosis, contracted while he served with the United Nations Armistice Commission in Korea.

They tried to get married then, but the soldier's records had been returned to the United States. Last February he was transferred to the Valley Forge Army Hospital, where he had part of one lung removed.

After several vain attempts to follow Hardin, Isako obtained a six-month visitor's visa from the American Consulate in Tokyo. However, upon arrival at Hawaii Immigration officials barred her from the United States.

Hardin got in touch with a Philadelphia lawyer and an appeal was filed. She was permitted to come here after Hardin posted a \$500 bond. United Press.

U.N. EMPLOYEES

No Renewal
Of Contracts

Paris, Aug. 23. Dr. Luther Evans, Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, announced here today that he would not renew the contracts of four American employees who refused to testify before a United States Loyalty Board last month.

Dr. Evans said in a Press statement he "could not accept the attitude adopted by these staff members as being consistent with the high standards of integrity which are required by those employed by the Organization."

The six-member International Employees' Loyalty Board of the American Civil Service Commission invited to UNESCO last month the four employees. "Including the four whose contracts will not be renewed, because of refusal to testify," it said.

Backing From
British Trade
Union Leaders

London, Aug. 23.

Britain's trade union leaders today reaffirmed their backing for West German rearmament, but stressed it should be through the European Army scheme or another arrangement assuring that it would be used only for collective security.

The General Council—governing body—of the eight million-strong Trade Union Congress, said this in its annual report.

It will be presented to the TUC's annual congress to be held at Brighton, South England, from September 6 to 10.

The new statement on German rearmament sought to put the powerful trade union movement firmly behind the Labour Party leader's "aim for Germany" policy. The Party is split over this issue, with the left-wing "Bevanites" leading the Opposition to the official line.

A number of unions have put forward resolutions for the TUC conference opposing West German rearmament. But there is little doubt that the voting power of the big unions will bring a majority in favour of the leaders' policy.

The General Council's statement said it was "reasonable" that from West Germany's revitalized economy a contribution should be made to European defence.

It said: "Many fears are dominating peoples' minds today and among them is the fear of a resurgence of a German military machine. It should be remembered, however, that many of the people in control in Western Germany, both politically and in the trade unions, are people who themselves suffered in Nazi concentration camps."

DEMOCRATIC GERMANY

The Council said a truly democratic Germany could best be developed in an international atmosphere "devoid of fear and suspicion towards her."

The General Council, in its economic report, also issued today, declared shareholders were getting the biggest relative increase in income in Britain. Since 1951 incomes, rents, dividends and interest had risen more rapidly than wages and salaries.

"Trade unionists," it said, "cannot be expected to stand idly by while improvements they have secured are whittled away by inaction on the government's part, or by attempts by the richer sections of the community to improve their already privileged position."

Between 1950 and 1953, it appeared that wage rates rose in roughly the same proportion as prices.

COST OF FOOD

But largely because of the disproportionate rise in the cost of food over the period, "lower-paid workers, especially those with large families, as well as old age pensioners and others with small fixed incomes, suffered a fall in their living standards."

Reviewing the 1953 balance of payments problem, the Council said improvements during the

Hull Strikers
Still Out

Hull, Aug. 23.

Four thousand striking Hull dockers, who are holding up work on 60 ships, tonight rejected a bribe to end their week-old stoppage.

They turned down suggestions that the grain ship on which the dispute started—because the dockers considered the method of unloading was outdated—should now be manned. The employers are insisting on this as a condition for their return to work.

The men, whose strike had not the backing of their union—the Transport and General Workers—have announced that they are leaving this union and joining another—the National Amalgamated Stevedores and Dockers.—Reuter.

Virgin Peak
Climbed

Gilgit, Kashmir, Aug. 23.

This German-Austrian expedition to the Karakoram range has climbed an unnamed 23,900-foot virgin peak on Batura glacier, according to a message which arrived here today by runner.

The expedition's message said the peak was climbed on August 9 by Hans Schuster and Dolf Meyer and two German, Austrian and Pakistani flags were hoisted on the peak. The expedition, led by Dr. Matthias Reibisch, has received permission to explore 20,000 feet East Gilgit, a "ghost" mountain near Gilgit which has seldom been seen.—Reuter.

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Eisenhower Calls For A Solid Partnership

REPUBLICAN ELECTION CAMPAIGN OPENS

Denver, Aug. 23.

President Eisenhower in a nation-wide broadcast tonight called for a "solid partnership among the free people" of the world. That partnership, he said, should be based on increased international trade, mutual understanding and pacts and other measures to make it unnecessary for any worry as to what the Communists were up to.

The President urged American voters to send to the new Congress, convening in January, members who will help carry out his programme.

Mr. Eisenhower said: "The overall tax cut programme (enacted by the 83rd Congress) will save taxpayers \$7,400 million (about £2,600 million), of this amount individuals receive an overall tax saving of \$4,700 million (about £1,600 million).

These tax savings in surplus are previous total in the history of the country," he said.

Reviewing the record of the Republican-dominated Congress which completed work on its legislative programme last Friday, Mr. Eisenhower said it equipped America with what he termed effective weapons to search out and defeat internal Communism and subversion.

In the prepared notes of his speech, the President did not say whether he planned to sign a bill on his desk which would outlaw the Communist Party. But he spoke of the anti-Communist legislation generally as amounting to a package programme to deal effectively with the subversion threat.

PROUD SALUTE

After mentioning Congressional approval of Administration programmes in such fields as legislation, expansion of social security and authorisation of St. Lawrence Seaway, the President said every American could proudly salute the 83rd Congress.

He added that he believed every fact in existence today gave the lie to prophets of gloom and doom.

He said that when the 83rd Congress convened in January, 1953, prophets of gloom and doom were predicting that by summer of that year the nation would be in the midst of a devastating depression, that a third world war would be under way and that there would be political chaos in the Republican Party.

Mr. Eisenhower said that his audience knew how wrong the prophets were. The 83rd Con-

gress, he added, delivered a lot of credit.

With the November elections coming on and the Republican campaign to maintain control of Congress picking up steam, the President took a look at the future. He said the Administration's entire programme this year had amounted to putting the house in order and he put it, butling as guarantees of property, and getting the house ready for the America of tomorrow.

NATIONAL HIGHWAY

The new session of Congress convened in January, the President declared, must get to work on measures such as the national highway programme and he stressed United States relations with the rest of the world.

He called for construction of a solid partnership among the free people of the world. That partnership, he added, should be based on increased international trade, mutual understanding and pacts and other measures designed to make it unnecessary for any worry as to what the Communists were up to.

Then, in an indirect appeal for an increase in the number of Republicans in Congress, the President said the character of the 84th Congress would be the key to what happened to the Administration's programme during 1955 and 1956.

In talking about unfinished work Mr. Eisenhower mentioned some of the Administration legislation which Congress and not approve.

In that category he listed failure to revise the Taft-Hartley Labour Law, rejection of his health insurance programme, the shelving of a bill to make Hawaii the 49th State and defeat of his proposal to lower the voting age to 18.—Reuter.

FOREIGN AID

The President said the 83rd Congress did not place the pocket book above the heart. As examples, he quoted its approval of a housing bill, expansion of social security, hospital construction authorisation. He also mentioned approval of the foreign aid, extension of the Reciprocity Trade Act for one year, (he asked for a three-year extension and provision for gradual reduction of tariff) and the completion of international agreements.

The President said Congress took control after what he called years of appalling Federal deficit and put the Government on an efficient and economic basis. It had followed a course of eliminating waste and extravagance and of cutting taxes by nearly 7,500 million dollars.—Reuter.

Dulles Accuses Russians

Washington, Aug. 23. The United States Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles, today accused Soviet Russia of a violation of solemn undertakings.

"These promising beginnings," said the statement, "were halted on March 6, 1945, when the Soviet Government intervened in Rumanian affairs and installed the first of a series of puppet governments which have existed in that captive country until today."

"Not only did the Communists contribute nothing to the courageous action of August 23, 1944," Mr. Dulles said, "but also they have resisted or imprisoned all the patriotic leaders who stood for freedom and democracy."

Britain's Atom Power Boss No. 1



15 Int'l Lawyers Hear Polish Refugee's Story

London, Aug. 23.

Fifteen international lawyers today heard from a 23-year-old Polish refugee seaman, Antoni Klimowicz, the dramatic story of his rescue by British police from the Polish freighter Jaroslaw Dabrowski on July 31.

The lawyers, members of the International Commission of Jurists, were considering his case as a possible basis for future legal aid to "Iron Curtain" refugees.

The legal experts were from the United States, Britain and Europe. The hearing was in private.

Klimowicz was removed from the Polish vessel in the River Thames by a strong boarding party of British police. He was later granted political asylum.

The Commission was set up three years ago "for the protection of right against systematic injustice."

Attending the meeting was Dr. Albert Van Dal, Secretary-General of the International Commission of Jurists, who arrived in London by air from Amsterdam on Saturday.

Dr. Van Dal said today: "The case of Mr. Klimowicz has already become a classic instance. It is easy for the Otto John, the Courts, and the Schmidt-Wilmach to get away."

"We want to ensure that similar opportunity is given to the ordinary men and women who prefer freedom to slavery."

"We are marshalling the various national groups in our Commission which already exist in Britain, Sweden, Switzerland, Greece, Turkey and which we are building in France, Denmark, Italy, Norway and other countries to help in this field."

—Reuter.

Malaya A Police State, Says Pritt

Singapore, Aug. 23.

A London counsel, Mr. D. N. Pritt, defending eight students of the University of Malaya who came up for trial here today on charges of sedition, quoted a book by Dr. Victor Purcell in which Malaya is referred to as a "police state."

Mr. Pritt, making another point for the defence, listed a number of people of "eminent respectability" to whom the magazine was sent. There included Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, the British Commissioner-General in South-east Asia.—France-Press.

The eight students concerned are members of the student editorial board of a magazine called Fajar Fajar which in its seventh issue published an article which the prosecution said was "clearly seditious."

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Another delegate stressed the need for resolving disputes and said that without this the Commonwealth might wither away.

He suggested more frequent and better organised Prime Ministers' conferences and a Commonwealth Secretariat and Commonwealth Relations Office in each capital of the Commonwealth.—China Mail Special.

United Nations, Aug. 23. A world food reserve will be set up if a proposal which the Costa Rican delegation to the United Nations is trying to have placed on the agenda at the next UN General Assembly is adopted. An explanatory memorandum of Costa Rican request will be made available.—France-Press.

Thirty-seven-year-old Mr. Lewis Stetson from Sandway, Cheshire, is the man just appointed to give British Industry its first electricity derived from uranium atoms instead of coal. He will manage the world's first atomic power station now being built at Sellafield, West Cumberland.—Express Photo.

Baby Has Rare Brain Disease

Munich, Aug. 23.

A three-month-old German baby girl, left here by air for Boston, Massachusetts, today to undergo a delicate brain operation—believed to be her only chance of survival.

The baby is suffering from hydrocephalus, a rare brain disease, for which no cure is available in Germany. She will be operated on by Dr. Donald Mason, chief of the Boston Children's Medical Centre, who has developed a new method of brain surgery for such cases.

The child's doctor, Josef Lutz today said she had a 70 per cent chance of survival without permanent damage to the brain.—Reuter.

EDC KILLED DE GASPERI

Rome, Aug. 23.

The European Defence Community was a thorn which morally wounded Signor Alcide de Gasperi, former Italian premier, the Secretary of the Italian Christian Democratic Party, Arnimoro Fanfani, declared today.

Recalling that de Gasperi himself had described the EDC as a thorn for him, Signor Fanfani said that with the coming of this crisis, de Gasperi saw clearly that it would not only mean a halt in the formation of a military coalition but also in the establishment of European political unity.—France-Press.

Identification Of U.S. War Dead

Seoul, Aug. 23.

Military scientists will use every known method of identification to determine the names of the 4,000 Allied war dead scheduled to be returned by the Communists starting on September 1, an Army spokesman said today.

The remains of Allied soldiers who died in North Korea probably would be identified by the Communists, but UN military officials would not accept their word, the spokesman said.

The remains would be taken to the US Army Graves Registration Laboratory in Korea, Japan, for exhaustive study by medical anthropologists and other scientists.

"When the Army notifies a family that the remains belong to one of their sons, they mean just that," the spokesman said.

"Unless positive identification has been established, the other remains are considered unidentified."

The Communists have not revealed the nationality of the 4,011 bodies they expect to return during "Operation Glory," the final step in completing provisions of the armistice.

WISHERS OF FAMILY. The identified American dead will be sent to national or private cemeteries, according to the wishes of the family, the Army spokesman said.

ALLEGED COLLABORATOR

Residents Rally To Side Of Colonel Fleming

Fort Sheridan, Ill., Aug. 23.

Residents of his native Racine, Wisconsin, rallied to the aid of alleged Communist collaborator Lt-Col Harry Fleming today with the charge that the Army had done more to break his spirit in 90 days than the Reds did in two years.

A group pledged to support Fleming also provided him with the services of Alfred LaFrance, President of the Wisconsin Bar Association.

The appointment caused a week's adjournment in court-martial proceedings against Fleming, 46, the first Army officer to be tried on charges of making propaganda broadcasts and leading Communist discussions while a prisoner of the Reds in Korea.

Kingston W. Erlich, a reserve lieutenant-colonel and a Racine real estate man, was appointed at a protest meeting in Racine to come here and tell Fleming his friends were behind him.

LOT OF FRIENDS. "The Army is going to find out that the whole town of Racine is behind Fleming," Erlich said. "They're going to find out he has a lot of friends. We feel he has been unjustly treated and that the confinement to which he has been subjected is unnecessary."

Fleming has been a prisoner here for about three months. "It seems they're determined to break his spirit," Erlich said.

"In the 90 days he has been at Fort Sheridan his appearance is more would indicate they have done more to break his spirit than the Reds were able to do in Korea in two years."

Erlich said Fleming has been held in "almost solitary" confinement and has been allowed to see no one without "a lot of red tape."

"He is served his meals in his room and is allowed out twice a day to walk over a prescribed route," Erlich said. "He asked that the route be changed to break the monotony and this request was refused."

Erlich said Fleming's wife, Gladys, has been allowed to visit him only on three occasions.—United Press.

Royal Party Arrives At Corfu

Athens, Aug. 23.

The Greek liner Agamemnon, carrying the King and Queen of Greece and more than 100 members of the historic royal families of Europe, dropped anchor at Corfu today.

Wearing informal holiday clothes, the party went ashore to visit the Summer Palace of the Greek Royal Household. Among them were Queen Juliana of Holland, the Grand Duchess of Luxembourg and ex-King Umberto of Italy.

The visit ashore was conducted completely without ceremony or precedence aboard the ship. It is reported that no ceremonial is being followed and that the cruise is being conducted purely as a family affair.

The oldest member of the royal party is 85-year-old Prince George of Greece, the youngest is 13-year-old Princess Irene of Greece. Only the British and Belgian Royal families are not directly represented on the cruise.—France-Press.

APPEAL AGAINST CANING

Lagos, Aug. 23.

There were two reasons why a Nigerian magistrate was not justified in sentencing a Bellen to three strokes with a cane for setting his dog on an African trader, the Supreme Court here was told today.

Mr. Angus Ferguson, Counsel for Victor Alexander Gregory, 40, a Pottery Officer from Tendersen, Kent, said the magistrate was entitled in order to sentence only on two conditions: local prevalence of particular crimes and the antecedents of the accused.

He said that Mr. Gregory, whom the magistrate, Mr. M. A. Begho, had also fined £120, had no previous record and claimed that the type of crime of which Mr. Begho had convicted him was "certainly not" prevalent in Nigeria.

The hearing will continue tomorrow and Mr. Justice Jibowu, is expected to give judgment on Wednesday.—China Mail Special.

Nehru To Make Statement On Enclaves

New Delhi, Aug. 23.

Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru said today he would make a statement on foreign affairs to the Parliament on Wednesday. The implication was that he would discuss the dispute over adjoining Portuguese possessions.

He suggested that the Parliamentary debate be held later because there was no urgency for it.

Mr. Nehru was replying to a criticism of Communist leader A. K. Gopalan that the agenda of Parliament did not give first priority to big international events to which India had been a party, including those in Portugal's enclaves.

Gopalan called this "an extraordinary lapse" on the part of the Indian Government.—United Press.

FORCED LANDING. Berlin, Aug. 23. A private Swiss plane made a forced landing in East Germany today. East Berlin radio said the plane was carrying a pilot and a passenger.

The pilot and passenger were both injured. They were the only people aboard. The plane came down at Badstube near Gera Thuringia. The two radio said the Swiss authorities had been informed.—United Press.

Too Many Girls On His Hands

Salisbury, S. Rhodesia, Aug. 23.

Mr. I. Southey, director of a Salisbury tourist agency, complained that he had too many girls on his hands.

Mr. Southey said it was very pleasant to have so many attractive girl tourists from South Africa, Rhodesia, England and other places—but it was bad for business. Single women outnumbered single men by four to one on some tours, he added. One single man went on a trip to Victoria Falls with four single girls and two married women without their husbands.

"I have had the greatest difficulty getting partners for girls at dances I organise along the routes," he said. "I have been trying to work out how the members of my band can dance and play at the same time."—China Mail Special.

Aggressive Feminism Is Out

Evansville, Ill., Aug. 23.

Miss Madeline Barot, a leading officer of the World Council of Churches, said here tonight that "aggressive feminism" should be left in a corner.

Miss Barot, who is French, Secretary of the World Council's Commission of the Life and Work of Women in Church.

She told a plenary meeting of the Council here: "The day of aggressive feminism has passed. Today, women do not desire to be dressed like men but realise they can contribute fully as women, not conforming to patterns and methods of life and work which are masculine."

"For some reason, women seem to have an even more intense desire for unity, world Christian fellowship and mutual help than do men."—Reuter.

French Pilgrimage

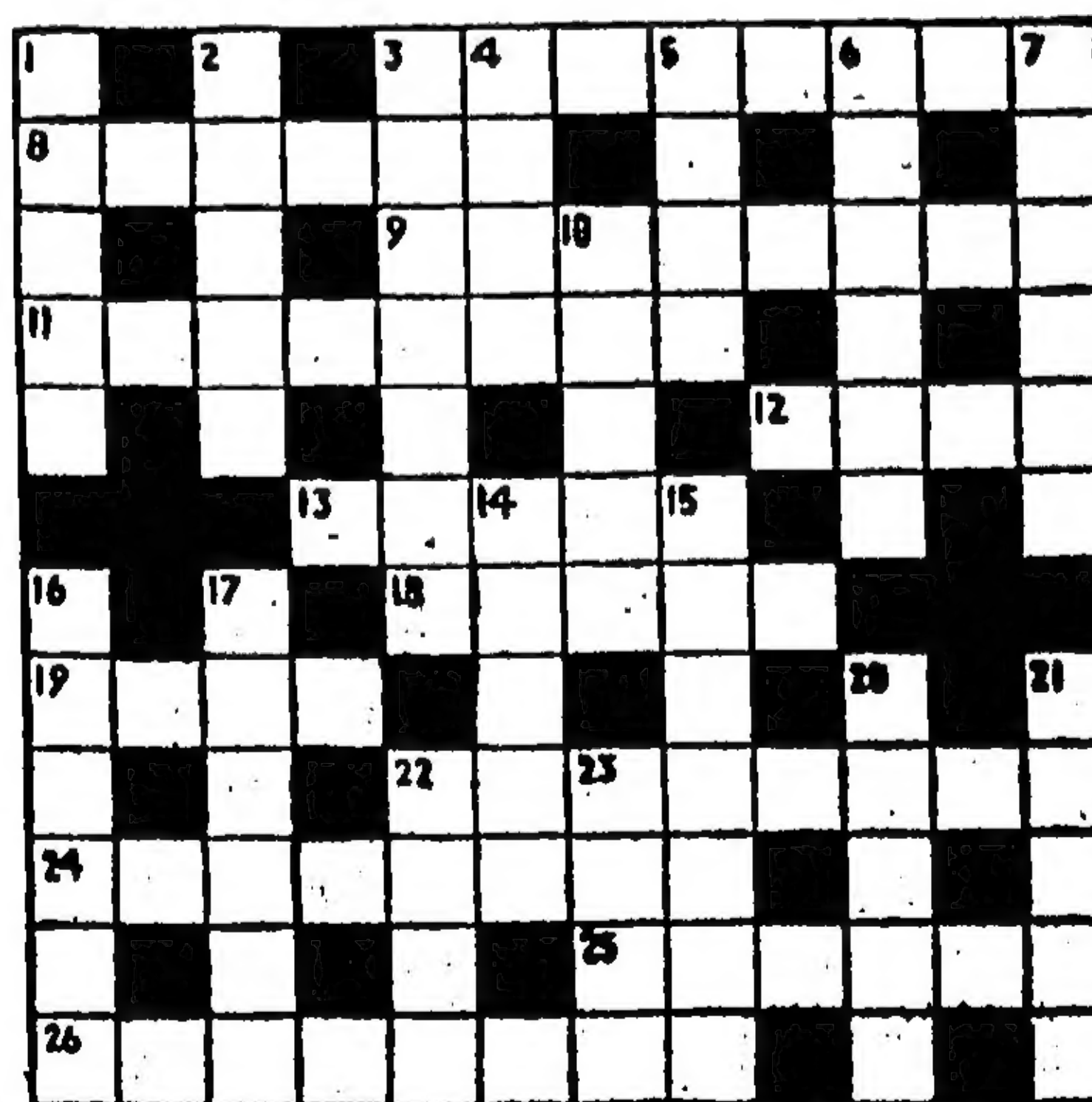
London, Aug. 23.

The 81st National French Pilgrimage, to the shrine of Lourdes, ended today with Mass celebrated in the presence of Cardinal Germain, Patriarch of Lisbon.

Robert Brunon, Minister for Overseas France, attended the closing Mass, held shortly after another Mass celebrated in the Grotto by the Bishop of Porto.

Special trains this afternoon and tonight took the pilgrims back to their home towns.—United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS
- Childe (8).
 - Homicide (6).
 - Consist of (6).
 - Turns round (6).
 - Withered (6).
 - Central point (6).
 - Sound qualities (5).
 - Admits (4).
 - Polluted with missiles (8).
 - NCO (8).
 - Dislocate (6).
 - Determines (8).
- DOWN
- Spruce (6).
 - Serious (6).
 - Newly-joined soldier (7).
 - London statue (4).
 - Years (4).
 - Tolerates (6).
 - Took notice (6).
 - Fruit (6).
 - Elector (6).
 - Places of worship (7).
 - Agree (6).
 - Traps (6).
 - Unexperienced (6).
 - Grown-up (6).
 - Common fund (4).
 - Trim (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 3. Prepares, 7. Irish, 8. Advocate, 10. Chase, 13. Seize, 16. Dead, 17. Order, 18. Northing, 20. Once, 21. Rising, 22. Matter, 27. Marquess, 28. Amid, 29. Liable, 30. Down: 1. Disc, 2. Lapse, 3. Phase, 4. Prop, 5. Respite, 6. Speedy, 9. Detour, 11. Heron, 12. Rate, 14. Errand, 15. Deal, 19. Aloud, 23. Normal, 24. Seize, 25. Fast, 26. Items, 29. Grudge, 30. Dull.

Sefton Delmer's Report No. 3 From Inside Germany

OTTO WRITES TO HIS WIFE
—AND A SMEAR GROWS

A LETTER from Dr Otto John to his wife has been published in Western Germany. So far has a tape-recording of a telephone conversation he had with the Communist Dr Wohlgenuth, who enticed John into seeing him, and then vanished with him into the Russian Zone.

The letter and the tape-recording have been in the possession of the authorities here ever since John, who was West Germany's security chief, disappeared. But only now are they released for publication—when the atmosphere has been thoroughly poisoned against "double traitor" John.

A "double traitor" because John (1) fled to Britain to work there against Hitler in the last year of the war after failing to assassinate Hitler, and (2) because he is alleged to have deserted to the Russians.

The letter and the tape-recording suggest that Dr. John was probably tricked into crossing the sector border and is now being held in East Berlin against his will. Thus the delay in publishing them.

The bait

FOR the interpretation of his disappearance does not seem to be new Nazis in Western Germany, who are anxious to exploit his "double treason" to launch all anti-Nazi and "traitor" to Hitler" out of positions they still occupy here today.

Just look at the letter to Frau John. It is written on a rough scrap of paper. "Dear Lieschen," it says, "Reasons which I cannot explain to you have forced me to take a step which I shall explain later."

The word "forced" is heavily underlined—obviously intended as a clue to his wife of what really happened.

"This note," he goes on, "is only to tell you not to worry and to inform father. I am very anxious about you but not about myself. All my love, Otto."

The tape-recording is one made by the police of a telephone conversation in which Dr Wohlgenuth enticed John to come and see him on the evening of July 20.

His bait to John was that he would then and there make out

a medical report which John badly wanted in order to obtain a pension for a widowed friend of his family.

The conversation clearly shows John's reluctance to visit the doctor, and the pressure of argument used by the doctor to make John walk into his parlour. "For just a couple of hours," the doctor says, "Wohlgenuth—a couple of hours in which John could well have been dragged into docility."

But the agency report published by most of the newspapers here does not see it that way. It talks of a code conversation between the two and refuses to take the conversation at its face value.

So slick

NO, don't tell me that the techniques of Goebbels propaganda all died when the little doctor shot his family and himself. His boys are back on the job. This anti-traitor campaign shows that they are in their best form once more today, with a pretty thorough control of those newspapers which we spent so much time and money in "democratising" for them.

Please don't imagine that they are the old guard of jack-boots and brown-shirted storm-troopers.

These new Nazis are slick. Consider the little Hamburg paper connected with the news-papers Die Welt, Das Bild, and Die Zeit, which were the first to launch the bitter "anti-traitor" campaign against Otto John and company.

I have known these men and their activities for many years, going right back in fact to the year of 1932, before Hitler took power.

A circle

AT that time they were group-around Hans Zehrer, today editor of Die Welt and leader writer for Das Bild, in what was called then the "Tat" circle.

They served as unofficial policy advisers to their patron, the notorious and double-cross Hitler, and was finally double-crossed by Hitler himself.

During the Hitler period all these men were prominent with the exception of Zehrer, who took on a publishing job for the army.

The adviser

ZEHREH, Wirsing, next to Zehrer the most important figure, then and today my opposite number as chief foreign reporter on Die Welt, held high S.S. rank.

He was closely associated with the espionage service of S.S. General Walter Schulenberg, many of whose former operators are today holding jobs in the organization of West Germany's No. 1 spy chief, General Reinhold Gehlen.

Claus Mehnert, one of the top men of the Tat circle and today top political commentator of Die Welt, used to be editor of the main Nazi propaganda paper to the Far East.

Today he serves as unofficial adviser on Soviet and Eastern affairs to Dr Gersinnmayer, head of Adenauer's foreign affairs committee.

Publisher of the newspapers Das Bild and Die Welt is Axel Springer. His wife is the daughter of S.S. General Lorenz, who was one of the foremost pupils of Himmler and Hitler and was condemned to 15 years imprisonment at Nuremberg.

The policy aim of these old friends of mine is substantially the same as it was when I knew them in 1932. Then, full of the jargon of Hitler's pet geopolitical expert Professor Georg Haushofer, they wanted Germany to become the leader of a German-controlled Europe reaching from the Atlantic to the Urals.

Dreamers

THE idea was that if they captured this heartland they would be masters of the world. Today, with much the same idea in view, they are talking of a third-force Europe under German leadership as the first step to the attainment of this plan.

Their idea is to play off the Americans against the Russians and thus grow strong out of the rivalry of these two powerful victor Powers.

This dream seems to be guiding more and more influential Germans.

Once the German Army has been formed and Germany has recovered some military strength, these dangerous dreamers say Germany will be strong enough to drop her present blind obedience to the West. She could follow a more independent line of her own.

And this view has strong backing among the diplomats of the new German Foreign Office. Symptomatic of a new ideological-political association among these former Nazis are the ever more frequent meetings of former intimates, like that held in Essen's Kaiserhof Hotel a couple of months ago, under the patronage of coal magnate Otto Springorum.

Nor should you forget the old soldiers' leagues, which are getting more and more active.

And the new wave of labour unrest which, for the first time since the defeat is hitting Germany, may cause German industrialists to give more financial support than hitherto.

THE QUEEN'S
NEWSPAPER

By J. W. TAYLOR

OVER a hundred years of world-wide circulation without a mistake is the enviable record of The Court Circular, one of the most exclusive news-sheets in existence, regularly issued from Buckingham Palace with the express sanction of the Queen. It is sometimes issued from other Royal homes, such as No. 145 Piccadilly, London, which always had its own daily bulletin when the Queen resided there as Princess Elizabeth. Even today the Circular is issued from Harewood House, the Yorkshire home of the Princess Royal.

Extracts from the Circular daily appear in times of publication in newspapers all over the world. Only two of the leading London Journals are privileged to collect their copies of The Court Circular at the Palace, but extracts are promptly circulated to other editorial offices throughout the world by the famous Fleet Street news agencies.

Free From Error

There is tremendous interest shown by newspaper readers of almost all nationalities in the published Court Circular extracts, remarkable for their consistent accuracy. No other newspaper in the world can show such freedom from error. Names and titles with unusual spellings and hyphens in unexpected places form some of the complicated problems of this Royal news-sheet have daily to solve, apart from intricate problems of precedent in the official reporting of special Royal events, yet no mistakes have ever been known to appear in over a century of publication.

What appeared to be an "error" was noticed in the Circular one Sunday in 1935, when King George V suffered a minor illness. In order to avoid causing unnecessary public concern for the Royal welfare, the King commanded that his indisposition be not referred to in The Court Circular. This stated that "The Queen attended Divine Service" and made no mention of the King's presence. It was soon noticed elsewhere that the Royal bulletin was accurate.

ed, and rumours arose that the King was seriously indisposed. It was thereupon decided that to prevent ill-founded rumours arising, future reports should state: "Divine Service was held at—" and the names of Royalty present be omitted.

Official Link

The Court Circular was started in early Victorian times as an official link between the Court and the Press. It does not necessarily list a complete account of all the Sovereign's activities throughout the day, purely private affairs mostly being omitted. It does, however, record the most important events attended by the Queen and gives brief details of the activities of the Royal Family. Their engagements, audiences, investitures and other official functions they attend are all briefly described, so as to be quoted in newspapers at home and abroad.

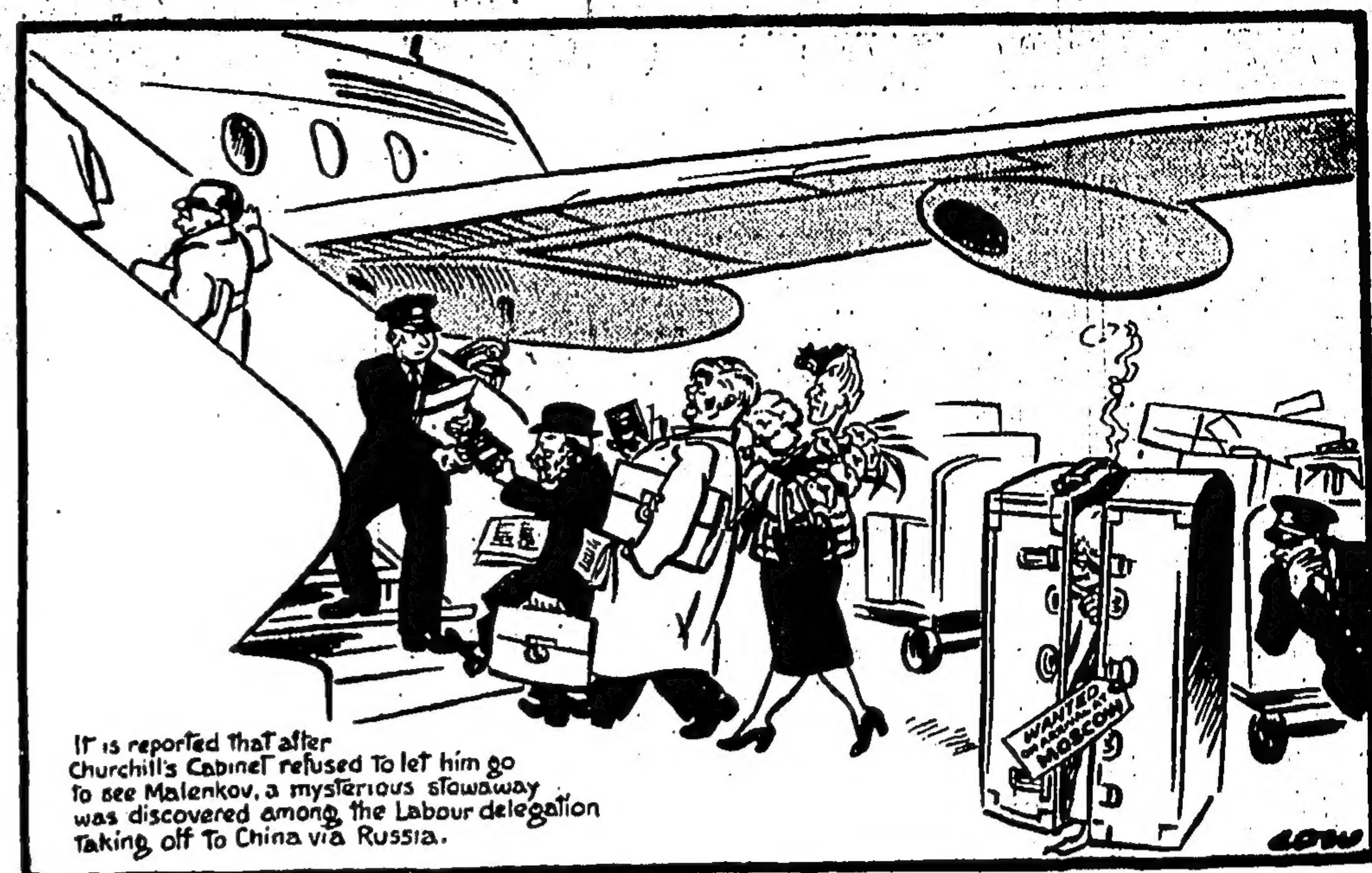
The Master of the Queen's Household is responsible for the compilation of The Circular, the work in practice being done by his Chief Clerk and Secretary, who prepares a draft towards the end of each afternoon. This is submitted to the Queen for her formal approval before the final copy is made. Then every word and phrase is checked and double-checked before the Circular is released for public issue.

In its early stages three blank lines are left between each line of typescript to take in any last-minute amendments or additions.

Extra Precaution

Procedure when the Court is out of London is for the draft Circular to be telegraphed to the Queen for her approval, no matter where she is staying, and extra care is taken to avoid errors. The normal systematic checking is intensified to eliminate mistakes during transmission by telegraph. To maintain the Circular's unique record of strict accuracy, the extra precaution is adopted of telegraphing back to the Queen a final and revised copy for a second scrutiny.

The Royal Family themselves find the filed daily bulletins helpful. Copies are bound in book form and stored in the Royal archives. A study of these enables Court officials to advise the Royal Family on matters of precedent, procedure, etc. in "past times." Past and present Royal children have studied these volumes as part of their training.



STOWAWAY

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DESTINY IS CALLING YOU,
PRESIDENT EISENHOWER

By Sir Beverley Baxter

members of the Lower House are scattered to the winds and the Peers are hibernating like bears in the winter.

The only sounds were the voice of a guide showing where Charles I was tried, and the rain slopping on the Terrace. If there is no such word as "slopping" then it is time it was invented. Because that was what the rain was doing.

Then I looked into the holy of holies, the smoke-room where no visitor dare set foot. There was Churchill's corner chair (not by right but by custom) and I remembered the last time that I saw him sitting in it.

NO LAW

HE had had a particularly hard day with Cabinet meetings, questions in the House and all sorts of problems that arise from Government of the people for the people by a Conservative Government.

In a matter of hours both Churchill and Eden would be in the sky over the Atlantic, flying to America for a man-to-man talk with President Eisenhower. And I wondered then, as I wonder now, why it had always to be Churchill with his weight of years who makes the Atlantic flight and never the President.

There is no law which prevents the President of the U.S.A. from travelling abroad during his term of office. "Today" Roosevelt came to London from the White House for a State visit. Woodrow Wilson sat with the victors at Versailles to pass sentence upon the guilty and to unveil his plan for an all-wise League of Nations.

Therefore, and with the greatest possible respect, I give it as my opinion that there would have been a good thing if President Eisenhower had cabled to Churchill that he would come to London, and thus spare the old Warrior the strain that is inseparable from the burden of the years.

THE LEADER

IT is true that today the President of the United States of America holds a position more powerful than any emperor, premier or other president. Two world wars ended for ever America's dream of splendid isolation. Today she is the unquestioned leader of the Western world. Although she needs powerful allies America possesses the industrial, financial and military strength which not only justifies her leadership but makes it inevitable.

I can easily understand how the normal decent American looks back nostalgically upon those halcyon days when the job of the President was to sit in the White House and call the shots. For if the world happened could wait until the seventh hour before intervening.

It was in keeping with that rare feeling of spiritual superiority which made it possible for the professional Woodrow Wilson to utter those feeble words: "Too proud to fight" and be acclaimed as if they were the highest wisdom to which mankind could rise.

In another sense it was that same detachment from reality which caused America to demand the repayment of the loans which the U.S.A. had made to France and Britain as they poured out their blood and treasure to save civilisation in the 1914-18 war.

Let us gladly acknowledge the truth that it was America's intervention in 1917, belated as it was, that turned the tide against Germany at the cost of thousands of gallant American soldiers. Yet even that community of blood and tears did not open the eyes of the American bankers nor the American politicians. Britain had been drained of her wealth and her young manhood, yet Premier Stanley Baldwin had to go to Washington and agree to repay the loan which America had given to Britain at war. It was the beginning of Britain's financial collapse. We were driven off the Gold Standard, unemployment spread across the country, and in reckless despair there came the General Strike. The marks of that interminable struggle are still upon us.

HIDE-BOUND

I AM writing these words in the Library of the House of Commons and in such a setting I know there is a danger of becoming detached from day-to-day reality. But history is a record by which the struggles of the human race can be studied in tranquillity. Long after the event it is easy to point to the errors of those who held office when the world was mad. But nevertheless if we are ever to learn, it is from the book of history.

This fact is self-evident—that the President of the United States is more hidebound by tradition than any British Premier could ever be. And the worst tradition of the American way of politics is that which virtually makes the President a prisoner in his Ivory Tower.

I felt the truth of that when I flew out to America on a special mission in 1941. It was strange to visit Washington at that time and feel that it was a million miles from Europe. And although President Roosevelt was with us in sympathy and did what he could to help the job of the British, the American situation of splendid isolation.

I studied him at the White House then with something like fascination. At heart he was at war with Germany, although his country was neutral. But he had to bow to the Great American Axiom of splendid isolation.

If, instead of denouncing Chamberlain at the time of Munich, the Americans had sent a single naval squadron into the Mediterranean to take its place beside the French and British Navies Hitler would have been destroyed overnight by his own generals.

If it is thought that I am merely being wise after the event let me tell you that Harold Stassen, the present Director of the United States Foreign Aid Administration, said those very words at the time of the Munich crisis. But such was the unrealism of American policy in that period that Stassen was denounced as a light-weight, and caricatured as a boy scout with ideas beyond his intelligence.

FULL CIRCLE

THERE is no such thing as Isolationism. Geographically, psychologically, spiritually and materially it does not and cannot exist. In the deepest meaning of the words we know that what happens to one country happens in some degree to all. It was the rebellion of the American Colonists against Britain that made inevitable the French Revolution. It was a pistol shot in Sarajevo that sent the world to war in 1914.

Today the wheel has gone full circle, as far as America is concerned. When Mr Truman, who will yet be acclaimed by history as one of the great American Presidents, declared war against North Korea the leadership of Western civilisation passed into the hands of the U.S.A. No matter how the individual American might long to return to the days of isolation it just could not be. A nation can no more turn back the pages than a man can return to his youth.

Then why should the American President of today remain incarcerated in the White House as if it were the Vatican and he the Pope? Why must it always be Churchill who undergoes the strain and excitement of crossing to America to discuss world affairs with a President who is still in the prime of life?

A VACUUM

THINK what strength and confidence the President would draw from the acclaim of the British people if he came here. And think how the bewildered, divided French nation would gain confidence and unity if the President went to Paris.

Undoubtedly he would be assailed by the weekly magazine Time but the Bozons are ever with us. They live in the hope that the 20th century will be followed by the 19th and that today will be followed by yesterday. In fact, any day now we shall hear the thrilling slogan: "Time Marches Back!"

Let us face the truth and let us make our own decisions. Let us face the truth and let us make our own decisions. Let us face the truth and let us make our own decisions.

So far has the breed of Adam travelled from the innocence of the Garden that coherent life can be virtually brought to an end with only a few mumbled, crazed survivors to wander among the ruins.

There is no reason to doubt that ancient civilisations lived and passed away before the known story of the human race. If there is to be another world war on a cosmic scale then we may as well hand back the earth to the monkeys.

Against that grim picture and against such pessimism there is the inspiration and splendour of Winston Churchill's mind. As he nears his 80th birthday he proclaims to the world his policy of co-existence. There is no hatred in his soul nor fear in his heart. Instead there is pride in man's achievement and sorrow for man's blindness.

As he looks back from the pinnacle of the years and sees the long road that he has travelled there is infinite pity for the human race but also an indomitable conviction that mankind will yet achieve an understanding that will rule out war.

But Winston Churchill must soon lay down the sceptre of power, and once he will have done so he will leave it to his successors to speak for civilisation. That will create a dangerous vacuum and, again with respect, I suggest that President Eisenhower should realise that he has a far greater part to play than merely keeping the component sections of the Republican Party together.

He has the warmth, the voice and the sincerity to give a new leadership to the troubled world. He need not pretend to command the classic phrase or assume the mantle of a contemporary historian. In London at the end of the war he spoke to the people on the radio and won their hearts. We ask no more than that he should be himself.

SILENCE

EVEN as the Commander-in-Chief of the Allied Forces that invaded Europe and smashed the might of Germany he remained a human being whose tolerance and sympathy for mankind made of him a lovable figure. No wonder America wanted him as President. The whole civilised world wanted it.

But from the day of his election he has been strangely silent. Even allowing for the fact that he lacks political experience his sincerity would have atoned. Yet he seemed crushed by the weight of his responsibilities and perhaps disillusioned by the pettiness of political rivalries.

Come to Europe, Mr President! Come to London and to Paris. Visit Berlin and speak in memory of those young soldiers who gave their lives in the last phase when they liberated that city from the evil thrall of Hitler.

You must be bigger than the Republican Party just as Churchill has been bigger than the Conservative Party. Destiny is calling you, Mr President. And unless our ears are deaf, there seems to be a note of impatience in the voice.

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SURREY NOW THE ODDS-ON FAVOURITES FOR THE COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP

London, Aug. 23. Surrey beat both Middlesex and the weather at Lord's here today to emerge odds-on favourites to win the English County Cricket Championship for the third successive year.

They won by an innings and 19 runs with a day to spare. For most of the Middlesex second innings, play continued in a persistent drizzle, but despite the wet ball Jim Laker and Tony Lock bowled with skill and accuracy.

Laker bowled his offbreaks especially well, taking five for 55 for match figures of 10 wickets for 80 runs. Lock's figures were three for 38, giving him seven for 62 in the match.

Yorkshire, who led Surrey by 10 points before the start of the current fixtures, look set for victory over Kent tomorrow but this is their last game of the season, whereas Surrey still have two more matches to play. One more win will assure the southern county of the Championship.

Kent are 28 runs behind Yorkshire at Dover with only five second innings wickets left.

Feature of today's play was a stubborn innings by Frank Lowson, Yorkshire's opening batsman. Correct in defence and versatile on stroke play, he

CLOSE OF PLAY SCORES

At Lord's: Surrey beat Middlesex by an innings and 19 runs. Middlesex 70 and 117 (Laker, right-arm offspin, five for 53). Surrey 200 for eight declared (May 61).

At Northampton: Northamptonshire 80 for two versus Warwickshire. No play today, wicket unfit after heavy rain.

At Leicester: Leicestershire-Gloucestershire no play today because of rain—neither side has batted yet.

At Newcastle: Northumberland-Canadians two-day match abandoned because of rain. No play today.

At Dover: Kent 70 and 180 for five. Yorkshire 200 for nine declared. Lowson not out 150. Dover, right-arm offspin, four for 39.

At Eastbourne: Sussex 314 for nine declared and 66 for two. Somerset 285 (Trenlett, right-arm offspin, six for 61).

At Cardiff: Glamorgan 115 for six v. Hampshire. Start was delayed to mid-afternoon because of rain.

At Nottingham: Derbyshire 180 for six v. Nottingham. Start was delayed to 10.30 GMT because of an unfit wicket.

At Worcester: Lancashire 318 (Wharton 73, Geoff Edrich 50, Ikin 61, Statham 57, Jenkins, right-arm legbreak, six for 97). Worcester 56 for no wicket.

Pakistan Tour

Southend, Aug. 23. Essex had no difficulty in mastering the under-strength Pakistan attack here today and after passing the tourists' total of 241 for the loss of four wickets they declared at 287 for seven.

When play stopped for the day, 20 minutes before the close, the Pakistanis had scored 19 for the loss of Alimuddin's wicket. They thus stand 27 runs behind.

A fifth wicket partnership of 131 in an hour and three quarters by the Essex captain, Douglas Insole, and Trevor Bailey formed the backbone of the county innings. Both drove and pulled with great ease and accomplishment. Insole hit eight boundaries in his 89 while Bailey's undefeated 52 contained six fours and a five.

Battling in poor light Pakistan made a bad start to their second innings losing Alimuddin without a run scored. Alimuddin thus failed to get off the mark for the second time in the match.

Despite the dull, cheerless weather the crowd of 4,000 exceeded Saturday's attendance. They were vastly entertained when Zulfiqar Ahmed, the 12th man, took extra sweaters to his colleagues, wearing a black hat with a long white feather. Insole, who had been borrowed to wear while keeping wicket.

THE SCOREBOARD

Pakistan, 1st Innings—241
Essex, 1st Innings
T. Dodds, b. Maqsood 18
Ahmed, b. Khalid Hassan 49
G. Barker, c. Ikram Elahi, b. Maqsood Ahmed 38

C. Williams, c. Imtiaz Ahmed, b. Ikram Elahi 27
D. Insole, c. Ghazali, b. Ikram Elahi 80
Trevor Bailey, not out 62
R. Smith, b. Ikram Elahi 0
F. Vigar, c. Maqsood Ahmed, b. Ghazali 1
Extras 10

Total (for seven declared) 287

Bowling:

	O	M	R	W
Khalid Wazir	9	2	34	0
Maqsood Ahmed	33	8	88	2
Ghazali	20.4	0	81	1
Ikram Elahi	21	4	62	3
Khalid Hassan	15	4	36	1
Waqar Hassan	1	0	6	0

Byes 5; leg-bye 1; Wide 1 (Ikram Elahi). No balls 3 (Ikram Elahi).
Falls of wickets: 1-51; 2-80; 3-120; 4-148; 5-279; 6-280; 7-287.

Pakistan, 2nd Innings

Alimuddin, lbw, b. Trevor Bailey 0
Shakoor Ahmed, not out 12
Waqar Hassan, not out 7
Extras 0

Total (for one wicket) 19

Bowling

	O	M	R	W
Trevor Bailey	4	1	12	1
Jack Bailey	3	1	7	0
Smith	1	0	1	0

Falls of wicket: 1-0.—Reuter.

Four Former Champions Eliminated

Grosse Pointe, Michigan, Aug. 23.

Four former champions—every former titleholder who took off in the national amateur golf tournament's first round—got eliminated in one of the wildest opening days in the tournament's history today.

Harvie Ward, Jr., San Francisco automobile salesman who won the Canadian amateur a week ago, and Billy Joe Patton, the bespectacled little star who gave the professionals a scare in last spring's Masters Tournament, escaped the wave of upsets, however.

Ted Bishop, the 1946 Champion, was the first former titleholder to be sent to the sidelines. A hot second nine by unknown Richard Foutche, 31, put Bishop out of the running by a two-up score before noon.

But he soon had company on the "losers' sidelines."

Charles R. Coe, the 1949 titleholder, was whipped, 2 and 1, by Richard Colford, Jr., a 210-pound automobile dealer from New Orleans.

Chick Evans, the grand old man of amateur golf who won the title way back in 1916 and 1920, was whipped 5 and 4, by Lincoln Roden III, of Abington, Pennsylvania.

Sam Uzzetta, who won the 1950 title from Frank Stranahan, was ousted in a surprising upset, one-up in 19 holes, by Tim Holand, lanky black-haired youth from Rockville Centre, New York, who is a former Long Island amateur king. —United Press.

EQUALS RECORD



Derek Johnson of Great Britain breaks the tape in 47.9 seconds to win the 440 Yards and equal the English native record for the event in the British Games at the White City Stadium, London, on August 14. Second was America's R. Fessenden (right). — Reuterphoto.

Easy As Getting A Cup Final Ticket!

By W. CAPEL KIRBY

Monday, September 6, is Der Tag (and that's German for The Day to you) for more than a quarter of a million British Soccer fans.

On that date the Football Association will announce whether there will be any tickets for sale to the general public through the Wembley box office for England's clash with Germany on December 1.

Already, four months ahead, the signs are that few, if any, will be available after allocations have been made to County Associations and clubs on the same lines as the Cup Final.

WHAT A HOPE!

Demand for tickets is unprecedented and receipts will equal the £40,000 takings when Hungary attracted a "full house" at Wembley last November.

Unless fans can get tickets through their clubs they can't be too optimistic. Their chances of getting one are about 12,000 to one less than for the Cup Final.

"This is because of the tremendous interest the fixture has created overseas. Applications from Germany alone are expected to top the 12,000 mark, although it doesn't follow the Germans will receive that number."

"One German tourist agency has put in a request for 4,000 tickets," an FA official told me. Here in Britain everybody wants to see the team of the year—the side that tamed the immaculate, tip-tapping Hungarians. Practically every League club in the country is planning for its playing staff to see the World Cup winners in action.

One ambitious, but none too fashionable, Second Division club has written to the FA asking for 650 tickets at prices ranging from 50s. to 5s. 6d.

Last time a German national football team visited this country was in 1935 when,

JIM PETERS DECLINES

London, Aug. 23. Britain's famous marathon runner Jim Peters has refused a Japanese invitation to compete in Japan this autumn with Emil Zatopek of Czechoslovakia. Peters said that he had to turn down the invitation because Britain's bad weather would not allow him to train properly. —France-Press.

CHINESE INTER-CLUB AQUATICS

The four-day Chinese Inter-Club aquatic sports opened at the Ritz swimming pool yesterday.

The following were the results of the heats in the various events:

Men's Senior 100 Metres Free Style: Heat 1—1. Chiu Kwai-ching (CYMCA), 55.4 sec.; 2. Chan Kwai-chung (CYMCA), 58.4 sec.; Heat 2—1. Cheung Kin-man (Fortuna), 58.2 sec.; 2. Wong Wing-chai (CYMCA), 58.2 sec.; Heat 3—1. Lam Kwan-ang (CYMCA), 58.2 sec.; 2. Wan Shiu-ming (SCAA), 58.2 sec.

Women's Senior 100 Metres Free Style: Heat 1—1. Kwok Ngai-lung (CYMCA), 53 sec.; 2. Tsui Shiu-ling (Fortuna), 56 sec.; Heat 2—1. Chan Shiu-yee (Fortuna), 56 sec.; 2. Poon Yee-chi (CYMCA), 52 sec.; Heat 3—1. Woo Oi-mee (SCAA), 52 sec.; 2. Ching Man-shee (Fortuna), 52 sec.

Men's Junior 50 Metres Free Style: Heat 1—1. Lam Lin-huen (Fortuna), 25.5 sec.; 2. Ng Wing-chung (Lai Tung), 26.2 sec.; Heat 2—1. Yiu-kong (CYMCA), 26.2 sec.; 2. Luk Chun-yee (Fortuna), 26.2 sec.; Heat 3—1. Ling Kee (CYMCA), 26.2 sec.; 2. Ching Wing (Lai Tung), 26.2 sec.; Heat 4—1. Lam Sun-chun (CYMCA), 26.2 sec.; 2. Woo Kuen-kun (SCAA), 26.2 sec.; 3. Chiu See-chiu (White Shark), 26.2 sec.

Women's Junior 50 Metres Free Style: Heat 1—1. Lam Lin-huen (Fortuna), 25.5 sec.; 2. Ng Wing-chung (Lai Tung), 26.2 sec.; Heat 2—1. Yiu-kong (CYMCA), 26.2 sec.; 2. Luk Chun-yee (Fortuna), 26.2 sec.; Heat 3—1. Ling Kee (CYMCA), 26.2 sec.; 2. Ching Wing (Lai Tung), 26.2 sec.; Heat 4—1. Lam Sun-chun (CYMCA), 26.2 sec.; 2. Woo Kuen-kun (SCAA), 26.2 sec.; 3. Chiu See-chiu (White Shark), 26.2 sec.

Men's Senior 400 Metres Free Style: Heat 1—1. Lam Lin-huen (Fortuna), 5:25 sec.; 2. Ng Wing-chung (Lai Tung), 5:32.4 sec.; Heat 2—1. Yiu-kong (CYMCA), 5:32.4 sec.; 2. Luk Chun-yee (Fortuna), 5:32.4 sec.; Heat 3—1. Ling Kee (CYMCA), 5:32.4 sec.; 2. Ching Wing (Lai Tung), 5:32.4 sec.; Heat 4—1. Lam Sun-chun (CYMCA), 5:32.4 sec.; 2. Woo Kuen-kun (SCAA), 5:32.4 sec.; 3. Chiu See-chiu (White Shark), 5:32.4 sec.

Women's Junior 200 Metres Breast Stroke: Heat 1—1. Chiu Kwai-ching (SCAA), 3:37.5 sec.; 2. Tsui Shiu-ling (Fortuna), 3:42.2 sec.; Heat 2—1. Chan Shiu-yee (Fortuna), 3:42.2 sec.; 2. Poon Yee-chi (CYMCA), 3:42.2 sec.; Heat 3—1. Woo Oi-mee (SCAA), 3:42.2 sec.; 2. Ching Man-shee (Fortuna), 3:42.2 sec.

Men's Senior 100 Metres Back Stroke: Heat 1—1. Chiu Kwai-ching (CYMCA), 1:15.2 sec.; 2. Cheung Ming-hang (CYMCA), 1:15.2 sec.; Heat 2—1. Chiu Kwai-ching (CYMCA), 1:15.2 sec.; 2. Cheung Ming-hang (CYMCA), 1:15.2 sec.

LAWN BOWLS TEAMS

The following have been selected to represent KBGC in the First Division bowls match against Recreio "Blues" tomorrow at King's Park:

J. W. Tindall, R. H. Brown, G. C. Norman, J. McKelvie, E. J. Liddell, A. L. G. Eastman, P. Hughes, W. C. Simpson, F. Francis, F. Howarth, M. E. Purvis, A. Harvey.

The following have been selected to represent HKERC in the Third Division bowls match against CCC on Thursday at Happy Valley:

C. W. Johnson, A. H. C. Pin-nell, F. A. Golding, W. Stoker, E. L. Land, P. F. Williams, J. K. Mundy, A. G. Gardner, V. Kruse, R. Steiner, V. Bonch, J. K. Sloan.

The following will represent the HKCC versus the USRC at Chater Road tomorrow at 5.15 p.m.

H. G. Batham, J. Wyper, J. A. Edwards, F. Marshall, J. Mount, L. M. S. Lloyd, A. S. Mitchell, D. Trill, K. Almac, A. Duffy, F. C. B. Black, F. D. Angus.

RUGBY LEAGUE RESULTS

London, Aug. 23.

Rugby league results today were:

Bramley 4, Keighley 15
Featherston Rovers 13, York 5
Hunslet 15, Doncaster 9
Leigh 19, Barrow 14
Leigh 32, Blackpool Boro. 7
Whitehaven 7, Workington 2.—Reuter.

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Senators Twice Beat Athletics

Philadelphia, Aug. 23.

The Washington Senators exploded with five runs in the seventh inning of the second game today to defeat the Philadelphia Athletics, 10-3, after winning the first game, 8-5, on a brace of three-run rallies.

In the big seventh, the Senators bombarded starter Alex Kellner for six hits.

Washington smashed a total of 16 hits off Kellner in the seven innings he pitched. The stocky left-hander suffered his 16th loss against six wins.

Rookie right-hander Gus Gribble, who had a 1-0 record in three decisions, Clyde Volmer smashed a double and three singles in five trips to the plate and drove in three runs to lead the Washington attack.

In the opener, the Senators staged a three-run rally in the fifth and sixth innings to give lefty Chuck Stobbs his eighth victory against eight defeats.

Marino Franco, dropping his eighth straight loss, was chased in the fifth when Jim Shaffer singled home two runs to break a 1-1 tie. Stobbs' second strike in the inning on a single by Peter Hinton.

The score was Athletics 10, Senators 3 at the end of the game. The Senators' record is 10-10, the Athletics' 10-10.

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Arthur Mailey's STATEMENT THAT HE'D "Eat a cricket stump" IF ENGLAND WINS THE TEST SERIES IN AUSTRALIA IS INTRIGUING. HE'D LIKE TO SEE OTHER CRICKETERS MAKE LONG OR SHORT LIES.

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